



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Invention of: Poonam Agarwal *et al.*
Serial No.: 09/713,601 Group No: 1637
Filed: 11/15/2000 Examiner: Kim, Y.J.
Entitled: Methods And Compositions For Detecting Target Sequences

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)(1)(i)(A)</p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>Dated: <u>May 13, 2004</u></p> <p>By: <u>Mary Ellen Waite</u> Mary Ellen Waite</p>

Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	11	—	20	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	—	3	0	×	86.00	\$0.00

Three Month Extension of Time	\$950.00
Terminal Disclaimer	\$110.00
TOTAL DUE	<u>\$1,060.00</u>

1. A check in the amount of **\$1,060.00** is attached for the filing of a three month extension of time and a terminal disclaimer.
2. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**
3. Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, as may be required, to file this response.

Dated: May 13, 2004

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE
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Dated: <u>5-13-04</u>	By: <u>Mary Ellen Waite</u> Mary Ellen Waite

Dear Examiner:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003, with a response due on or before March 3, 2004. A Petition for a three month extension of time, from March 3, 2004 to June 3, 2004, is included herewith. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In accordance with the procedure for Revised Amendment Practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Response.